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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 27, 2004 applicants hereby amend claim 1 and provide two additional claims that track claim 1. Accordingly, a list of claims in accordance with the presently required claim format is presented starting on the next page. Following the listing of applicants' claims and their status, a section of comments is provided in which applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of applicants' claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. § 102.